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Title: SYSTEM FOR MEDIATING SAFETY DRIVE INFORMATION,  
SAFETY DRIVE INFORMATION MEDIATING APPARATUS USED  
THEREIN AND METHOD FOR CONFIRMING SAFETY DRIVE  
INFORMATION

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